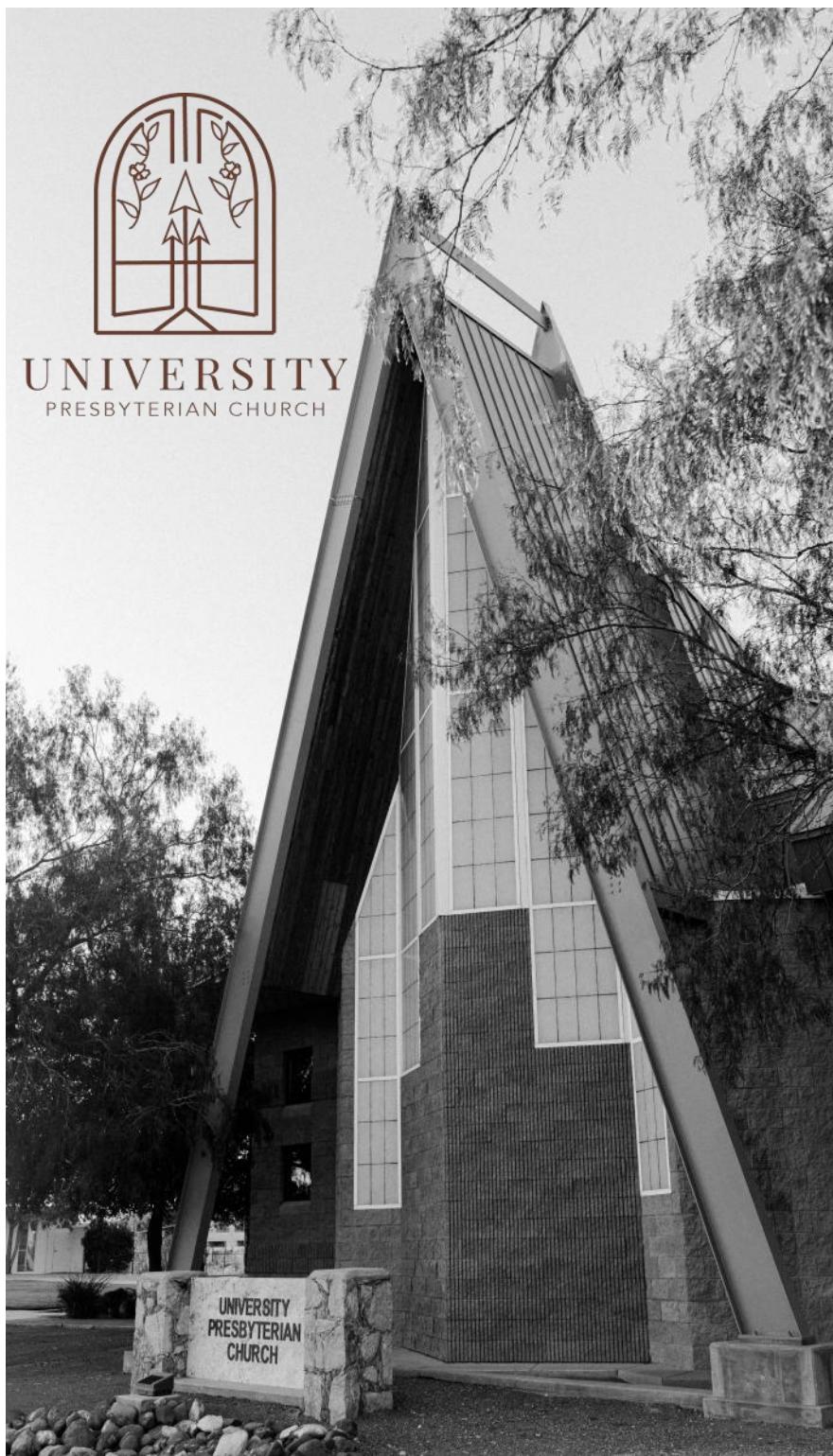




UNIVERSITY
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



S U N D A Y

WORSHIP

February 15, 2026

We aim to be a *hospitable people* rooted in the *Word*, in *worship*, and *prayer*—and we are *committed to cultivating disciples* in our homes, our church, and the world around us.

Deliver us, when we draw near to you, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

Amen

Welcome

We are so glad you're here today! Whether it's your first time at UPC or your first time at church altogether, we just want you to know that you're welcome here.



*Scan & connect
with us!*

If you have any questions about what you are seeing today, becoming members, or life at UPC, we invite you to reach out.

We invite you to connect with our Deacons at UPCdeacons@upclc.com.

Preparing for worship

Jesus invites us to come as we are, knowing He will not leave us there. So, we invite you to take a few moments of quiet reflection before the service to prepare your heart for worship.

Parents with small children

We understand parenting is challenging! In an effort to support you, we offer a staffed nursery for our youngest ones (ages 0-3) during each worship service. Our hope, however, is for our children to participate in corporate worship as soon as they are able.

Sharing a prayer request

Prayer is the communication of our desires to God our Father.

Prayer is not simply thinking about God or having concerns.

Rather, prayer is expressing need from the heart to God.



*Scan to share your
prayer concern*

Order of Worship

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Colossians 1:15–20



Call to Worship

A formal invitation to the congregation to enter corporate worship. It is drawn from Scripture and unites the congregation in acknowledging God's presence and preparing their hearts for worship.

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

***“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!”**

Trinity 296

All hail the power of Jesus’ name
Let angels prostrate fall.
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all.

Crown him, ye martyrs of your God,
Who from his altar call;
Extol the Stem of Jesse’s rod,
And crown him Lord of all.

* Please stand if you’re able.

*Extol the Stem of Jesse's rod,
And crown him Lord of all.*

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
Ye ransomed of the fall.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all.
*Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all.*

Sinners whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall.
Go spread your trophies at His feet
And crown Him Lord of all.
*Go spread your trophies at His feet
And crown Him Lord of all.*

Let ev'ry kindren, ev'ry tribe,
On this terrestrial ball,
To him all majesty ascribe,
And crown him Lord of all.
*To him all majesty ascribe,
And crown him Lord of all.*

O that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall.
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all.
*We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all.*

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if you're able.

CALL TO CONFESSION

The words of our Lord Jesus Christ:

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

Matthew 22:37–40



Call to Confession

An invitation to bring our sins before The LORD. Because of Christ’s work on the cross, we can confess freely, knowing that in Him, there is no condemnation, only grace and restoration.

SILENT CONFESSION

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, you are our Father and we are but dust and filth;
you are our Creator, and we are the work of your hands;
you are our Shepherd, we are your flock;
you are our Redeemer, we are the people that you have purchased;
you are our God, we are your inheritance.

Therefore, do not be angry with us to correct us in your fury.
No longer remember our iniquity to punish it,
but chastise us gently in your kindness.

Your wrath is kindled because of our demerits;
but remember that your name has been pronounced over us
and that we bear your mark and standard.

And continue, rather, the work that you have begun in us by your grace, that all the earth might know that you are our God and our Savior. Amen.

John Calvin

* Please stand if you’re able.

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:8-9

Congregation: Amen.

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Congregation: The Maker of heaven and earth.

Leader: O Lord, open our lips,

Congregation: and our mouths will sing your praise.

*“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

Beneath the cross of Jesus
I fain would take my stand

[Women]

The shadow of a mighty rock
Within a weary land.
A home within the wilderness
A rest upon the way

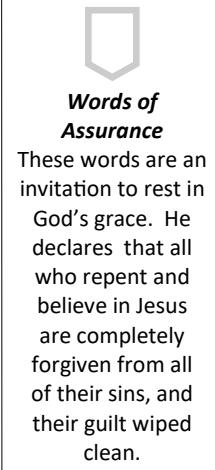
[All]

From the burning of the noontide heat
And the burden of the day.

Author

[Men]

The sha---dow
In a wea---ry land.
A home of rest
Upon the way



* Please stand if you're able.

Upon that cross of Jesus
Mine eyes at times can see

[Women]

The very dying form of One
Who suffered there for me.
And from my smitten heart with tears
Two wonders I confess

[All]

The wonders of redeeming love
And my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, thy shadow
For my abiding place.

[Women]

I ask no other sunshine
Than the sunshine of his face.
Content to let the world go by,
To know no gain or loss.

[All]

My sinful self, my only shame;
My glory all the cross.

*My sinful self, my only shame;
My glory all the cross.*

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TITHES AND OFFERINGS



Tithes and Offerings

We give back to God the portion of our wealth and talents that he calls his in recognition that they all come from him. These gifts help support the mission and ministries of the church. Some of us choose to put an offering in the plate, while others give online.



Scan to Give

* Please stand if you're able.

“Lord from Sorrows Deep I Call (Psalm 42)”

Boswell/Papa

Lord, from sorrows deep I call
When my hope is shaken;
Torn and ruined from the fall,
Hear my desperation.
For so long I've plead and prayed,
“God, come to my rescue!”
Even so, the thorn remains,
Still my heart will praise you.

Storms within my troubled soul,
Questions without answers;
On my faith these billows roll—
God be now my shelter.
Why are you cast down my soul?
Hope in him who saves you.
When the fires have all grown cold,
Cause this heart to praise you.

[Chorus]

Oh, my soul, put your hope in God,
My help, my rock, I will praise him.
Sing, oh sing, through the raging storm,
You're still my God, my salvation.

Should my life be torn from me,
Every worldly pleasure.
When all I possess is grief,
God be then my treasure.

* Please stand
if you're able.

Be my vision in the night,
Be my hope and refuge.
'Til my faith is turned to sight,
Lord my heart will praise you.

Matt Boswell, Matt Papa

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***“Christ, We Do All Adore Thee”**

Trinity 737

Christ, we do all adore thee,
and we do praise thee forever,
Christ, we do all adore thee,
and we do praise thee forever,
For on the holy cross hast thou
the world from sin redeemed.
Christ, we do all adore thee,
and we do praise thee forever.
Christ, we do all adore thee.

Theodore Dubois

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***PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Congregation: Blessed Lord, you have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning—grant us that we may in such a way hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them; that by patience and comfort of your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

* Please stand
if you're able.

*SCRIPTURE READING

Jon Cheney
John 18:1-11



The Lord's Supper

We invite those seated closest to the pulpit to come to the table first. Please file through outer aisles and back up middle aisle.

Leader: If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear.

PASTORAL PRAYER

SERMON: "Courage and Resolve"

Rick Downs

CONFESION OF FAITH

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

Congregation: That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has delivered me from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, also assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 1

THE LORD'S SUPPER

All those who have publicly professed their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, are repentant of their sins, and are baptized members of a church where the gospel is loved and proclaimed are warmly invited to participate in the Lord's Supper with us. For those of you who have not yet trusted in Jesus, please let these elements pass by you. We would love to talk to you about your relationship with the Lord after the service.

Wine is in the clear cups;
juice is in the purple cups.

Please take the bread as you receive it.
Hold onto the cup, as we will drink it together signifying our unity in the body of Christ.

* Please stand if you're able.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND WINE

“O Come and Mourn with Me Awhile”

RUF

O come and mourn with me awhile,
O come ye to the Savior’s side.
O come, together let us mourn,
Jesus our Lord is crucified.

Sev’n times he spake
Sev’n words of love;
And all three hours his silence cried
For mercy on the souls of men;
Jesus our Lord is crucified.

[Chorus]

O love of God!
O sin of man!
In this dread act your strength is tried;
And victory remains with love;
Jesus our Lord is crucified!

O break, O break,
Hard heart of mine!
Thy weak self-love and guilty pride
His Pilate and his Judas were:
Jesus our Lord is crucified.

* Please stand
if you’re able.

A broken heart,
A fount of tears,
Ask, and they will not be denied;
A broken heart love's cradle is;
Jesus our Lord is crucified.

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***MYSTERY OF OUR FAITH**

Congregation: Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again. Hallelujah!

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”** Newton/Twit

Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Zion city of our God
He whose word cannot be broken,
Formed thee for His own abode
On the rock of ages founded.
What can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou mayst smile at all thy foes.

See the streams of living waters,
Springing from eternal love
Well supplies Thy sons and daughters,
And all fears of want removes

* Please stand
if you're able.



Benediction

A pronouncement of God's blessing and commission upon His people as they are sent into the world. It is more than a closing prayer—it is a declaration of God's grace, peace, and presence. We depart with this "**good Word**" as a reassurance of His faithfulness and a charge to walk in obedience and faith throughout the week.

Who can faint while such a river,
Ever flows their thirst to quench?
Grace which like the Lord the giver,
Never fails from age to age.

Blest inhabitants of Zion,
Washed in the Redeemer's blood
Jesus, whom their souls rely on
Makes them kings and priests to God
'Tis His love His people raises,
Over self to reign as kings,
And as priests His solemn praises,
Each for a thank off'ring brings.

Savior if of Zion's city,
I, through grace, a member am
Let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in Thy Name
Fading is the worldling's pleasure,
All his boasted pomp and show
Solid joys and lasting treasure
None but Zion's children know.

John Newton, Kevin Twit

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***BENEDICTION**

* Please stand if you're able.

Sermon Notes



*Things to think
about while
listening to the
sermon.*

- What are the main points?
- What is the context of this passage?
- What are some repeated words and themes?
- How does this message point to Christ?
- How do we see God's grace, justice, mercy, or sovereignty in the text?
- How does this passage stir us to action?

Announcements

- It's that time of year! Please check the directory in the foyer (available through February) to make sure your family's contact information is up to date. This will go into the new UPC app and into a new directory.
- A new Sunday School class has started: "Joining the church?" Whether you are new to UPC or a member new or old, come learn more about what life at UPC is practically, theologically, and spiritually.
- Sunday Morning Coffee & Tea Ministry: David Moon is looking for volunteers to help prepare the coffee and tea bar Sunday mornings. Please call him for details at 575-496-3613.
- RUF Freshman Bible Study Meals—RUF is hosting new students Thursday nights for fellowship, a home-cooked meal, and time in Scripture. A link to sign up to provide a meal is in Wednesday's CrossTalk Notes.
- Maddox Hechler interns this summer with Serge to spread the gospel in London! He seeks financial and prayer support. Text or call him at 575-202-4664 to assist or to ask him more about this opportunity.
- Volunteers for Kairos—Kairos, a local prison ministry, is looking for volunteers to support an event at UPC for the prisoners they serve April 23-26th. Training for volunteers will be in the Great Room starting Saturday, February 21 from 9:00 to 3:00. Contact John Shipp for more details at 915-526-4618.
- Save the Date! RUF will serve lunch March 8th after Worship as a fundraiser for its spring break mission trip to the Navajo Nation in support of the Henry family. Come hungry and support our students!

This Week at UPC

Mon (2/16): •Elder Stated Meeting, 7:00pm

Thurs (2/19): •Women's Bible Study, 9:00am
•Worship Team Practice, 6:00pm

Tues (2/17): •Women's Prayer Group, 10:00am
•Women's Bible Study, 6:45pm

Sun (2/22): •Prayers from the Boiler Room, 8:15am

Wed (2/18): •Midweek Fellowship Dinner, 5:00pm
•KFC/Youth Group, 6:30pm
•Men's Bible Study, 6:30pm

•Adult Education/Youth-Children Sunday School, 9:00am
•Worship Service, 10:00am
•Hymn Sing, 6:00pm



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